



## DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)

Title of Invention	Methods and Apparatus for Minimizing Evaporation of Sample Materials from Multiwell Plates
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As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

The attached application, or  
 Application No. 10/606,203, filed on June 25, 2003,  
 as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of the continuation-in-part application is not disclosed in the prior application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I/we hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any provisional or foreign patent applications, and/or under Title 35, United States Code § 120 of any United States applications listed in the attached Application Data Sheet

All statements made herein of my/own knowledge are true, all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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